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Do you know someone who's always wanted to try

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hunting, but never got the chance?

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The Department of Game and Inland Fisheries'

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new Apprentice Hunting License could be

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just the thing to get them started!

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Virginians interested in learning how

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to hunt, and Virginia hunters eager

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to share their sport with friends and family,

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now have a way that makes it easier to go afield!

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The new Apprentice Hunting License

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allows people of all ages to "test drive" hunting,

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without the time and expense

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normally involved in getting started as a hunter.

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And it allows more experienced hunters the opportunity

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to share their knowledge of hunting

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and keep our hunting heritage alive.

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With an Apprentice License, it's possible to hunt

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for up to two years before the Virginia Hunter Education course

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must be completed.

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The license is open to all ages, so

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anyone can try hunting, as long as they are directly supervised

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by a licensed hunter.

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This mentor must be over 18 years old, and must

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stay within arm's reach, while maintaining visual and verbal contact

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with the apprentice.

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Since the apprentice will not have met the requirement for Hunter Education,

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the mentor must be able to assume control

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of the firearm from the apprentice hunter, if necessary.

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The Apprentice Hunting License

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is only available to individuals who have never

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had a hunting license.

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By the end of the two year trial period,

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the apprentice must have completed

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the Virginia Hunter Education course

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and possess a valid hunting license in order to continue to hunt.

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To get your Apprentice Hunting License, call:

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Take the time to help an apprentice hunter get started

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in the great outdoors!

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And keep our hunting heritage going strong!

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